Worksheet Determination of NEPA Adequacy (DNA)

U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management

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PROPOSED ACTION TITLE/TYPE: Burning Man 2014 Special Recreation Permit

LOCATION/LEGAL DESCRIPTION: T. 34 N, R 24 E. sec 36.

APPLICANT: Black Rock City, LLC.

A. Description of the Proposed Action with attached map(s) and any applicable mitigation measures.

The Burning Man event is a combination art festival, social event, and experiment in community living. The Burning Man organization, Black Rock City, LLC (BRC), is applying for a one year Special Recreation Permit (SRP) from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to conduct the event in 2014.

The purpose of the Federal action is to respond to a request for a SRP under 43 CFR 2930 to conduct the Burning Man arts festival in 2014 on public lands administered by the BLM Winnemucca District on portions of the Black Rock Desert playa on or near the South Playa.

The need for action is established by the BLM's responsibility under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) (Section 103(c)), which requires public lands to be managed on the basis of multiple uses, and to take any action necessary to prevent unnecessary or undue degradation of lands (Section 302(b)). In addition, the need for action is established by the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (FLREA), which authorizes the BLM to issue special recreation permits for group activities and recreation events.

BRC proposes a maximum participant population level of 68,000 paid participants for the 2014 event. The event would be held on public lands managed by the BLM in Pershing County, Nevada on the barren playa of the Black Rock Desert, approximately 10 miles northeast of the community of Gerlach, Nevada.

The operations associated with the event occupy about 4,400 acres of public land for a seven week period starting with fencing the site perimeter the second week of August and

concluding in late September with the final site cleanup. The major activities involving final setup, the actual event, and the initial phases of cleanup are confined to several weeks in late August and early September. During this period, Black Rock City becomes one of the largest cities in Nevada.

In 2012, an Environmental Assessment (EA) DOI-BLM-NV-W030-2012-0007 was completed for the Burning Man Event. The EA covered a five-year period from 2012 to 2016. The Decision Record (DR) and the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is dated June 12, 2012. BRC was issued a multi-year permit in 2013, but due to a violation of the special stipulations, they are only eligible for a one year permit in 2014. If the SRP Evaluation to be completed after the 2014 event concludes that BRC was in compliance with all special stipulations, BRC may become eligible for a multiple-year permit for the remaining two years that were analyzed in the EA.

Authorization during the 2013-2016 period is subject to a detailed review and evaluation of the previous year's event and a separate SRP decision. As necessary, the BLM will modify special stipulations (subject to NEPA) to address issues and concerns raised during the previous events or otherwise identified for the applicable year's event. Additionally, each year's SRP decision and/or the special stipulations attached thereto will specify the maximum population allowed for that year's event. The maximum population authorized in any year may not exceed 70,000 participants, as that term is defined in the EA, unless the requisite additional NEPA analysis is completed.

Each year a temporary closure order is placed in effect surrounding the event to allow law enforcement agencies to conduct their activities pre, during and post event. For the 2014 Burning Man event, the closure period would be from August 4, 2014 through September 15, 2014.

In addition to the 13 general terms listed on the back of permit form 2930-01, the authorized officer may require the permittee to comply with any reasonable special stipulations or conditions necessary to protect the lands or resources involved, reduce user conflicts, or minimize health and safety hazards. 43 C.F.R. § 2932.41.

Following a detailed review and evaluation of BRC's 2013 SRP, the authorized officer in consultation with the permittee modified the *Burning Man 2012-2016 Special Recreation Permit Stipulations* to address issues and concerns raised during the 2013 event. When evaluating these proposed changes, BLM consulted with Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, and Nevada Department of Transportation, the two governments involved in the development of the *Burning Man 2012-2016 Special Recreation Permit Stipulations*. In addition to the above consultation, BLM coordinated with other cooperator's involved in the planning and implementation of the SRP.

In response to this coordination, the BLM developed the following proposed amendments:

The following table identifies all stipulations which were included in the 2013 DR by number and indicates what, if any, changes were made:

2013-2016	Proposed 2014-2016 Changes	2012-2016	Proposed 2013-2016 Changes	
Stipulation #		Stipulation #		
1	Language change proposed and would be identified as #1.	23	Would be identified as #26.	
2	Language change proposed and would be identified as #2.	24	Would be identified as #27.	
	New Stipulation and would be identified as #3.	25	Would be identified as #41.	
	New Stipulation and would be identified as #4.	26	Would be identified as #28.	
3	Language change proposed and would be identified as #5.	27	Would be identified as #30.	
	New Stipulation and would be identified as #6.		New Stipulation and would be identified as #29.	
	New Stipulation and would be identified as #7.	28	Would be identified as #31.	
4	Language change proposed and would be identified as #8.	29	Would be identified as #32.	
5	Language change proposed and would be identified as #9.	30	Would be identified as #33.	
6	Language change proposed and would be identified as #10.	31	Would be identified as #42.	
	New Stipulation and would be identified as #11.	32	Would be identified as #43.	
7	Would be identified as #12.	33	Would be identified as #44.	
8	Would be identified as #13.	34	Would be identified as #39.	
9	Would be identified as #14.	35 & 37	Two combined into one,	
	sara se rasminoa as nT i.	22 22 7	language change proposed and would be identified as #45.	
10	Language change proposed and would be identified as #21.	36	Would be identified as #47.	

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11	Language change proposed and would be identified as #15.	38	Would be identified as #48.
12	Language change proposed and would be identified as #16.	39	Language change proposed would be identified as #49.
13	Would be identified as #17.		
14	Would be identified as #18.	40	Language change proposed and would be identified as #25.
15	Would be identified as #19.	41	Language change proposed and would be identified as #34.
16	Would be identified as #20.		New Stipulation and would be identified as #35.
	New Stipulation and would be identified as #22.	42	Language change proposed and would be identified as #36.
17	Language change proposed and would be identified as #37.	43	Language change proposed and would be identified as #50.
18	Language change proposed and would be identified as #38.	44	Language change proposed and would be identified as #51.
19	Language change proposed and would be identified as #40.	45	Would be identified as #52.
20	Would be identified as #46.	46	Would be identified as #53.
21	Language change proposed and would be identified as #23.	47	Language change proposed and would be identified as #54.
22	Language change proposed would be identified as #24.	48	Would be identified as #55.

The following are the proposed changes to the Burning Man 2013-2016 SRP Special Stipulations and once approved would be referred to as the Burning Man 2014-2016 SRP Special Stipulations.

This Stipulation would be identified as #1 and revised as follows: The maximum authorized population (also referred to as the "population cap") at any point in time during the 2014 event is <u>68,000 paid participants</u>. The population cap does not include volunteers, government personnel, Humboldt General Hospital emergency service providers, vendors, and contractors. Black Rock City LLC ("BRC") is

required to keep the maximum population of the event from exceeding this population cap. Consequences to BRC for exceeding the population cap may include, but are not limited to, a finding of non-compliance; suspension or cancellation of this permit per 43 C.F.R. § 2932.56; a monetary or other penalty per 43 C.F.R. § 2932.57; denial of subsequent application(s) for a SRP per 43 C.F.R. § 2932.26; and/or imposition of additional terms and conditions in subsequent years' permits (if granted) that are designed to keep the event population within the maximum authorized population, consistent with 43 C.F.R. §§ 2932.26 and 2932.41. Such terms and conditions may include, but are not limited to, reducing any following year's maximum authorized population in an amount equal or otherwise proportionate to the prior year's population exceedance. The Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") also reserves the right to assess additional cost recovery for any costs the BLM incurs as a result of any population exceedances, per 43 C.F.R. § 2932.31.

This Stipulation would be identified as #2 and revised as follows: If during the event it appears that the number of participants is likely to exceed the maximum authorized population level of 68,000 participants, then BRC must promptly notify the BLM of the projected event population and provide a detailed Contingency Plan explaining how it plans to accommodate the additional participants. The BLM's acceptance of such a contingency plan does not constitute approval for BRC to exceed the population cap under Special Stipulation 1, nor does it constitute any form of cure for noncompliance with Special Stipulation 1. The purpose of this Special Stipulation 2 is to ensure that BRC will follow specific procedures to address the safety and health of additional participants, should noncompliance with Special Stipulation 1 occur. BRC will provide this Population Contingency Plan to BLM prior to the event.

This new Stipulation would be identified as #3 and written as follows: BRC shall provide the BLM at the event site with information on participant arrivals, ticket scanning, and participant departures. BRC will provide the BLM, at times predetermined between BRC and BLM, with data regarding the entry and exodus population numbers, as well as 2014 Burning Man event population statistics from all entities on the playa including but not limited to paid participants and volunteers entering the Main Gate, the Airport, and all other access points in Black Rock City. In addition, BRC will provide the event population statistics at any time when requested by the BLM. If the population of the Burning Man event approaches the 68,000 paid participant population cap, the BLM may direct BRC to close both the Main Gate and the airport entrances to new participant arrivals. If that occurs, BRC, in coordination and consultation with BLM, shall then institute an arrival/exodus pulsing program to ensure that the 2014 Burning Man event does not exceed the 68,000 population cap.

This new Stipulation would be identified as #4 and written as follows: Procedures and protocols of main gate and airport closure/arrival/exodus pulsing program for population control will be outlined in BRC 2014 Burning Man Event Operation Plan/Contingency Plan and BLM's Incident Action plan.

This Stipulation would be identified as #5 and revised as follows: During the period of site occupancy (August 4, 2014 through September 15, 2014), BRC shall provide the BLM with the BRC population numbers within the event site each day, according to an agreed-upon reporting standard with the BLM. For historical purposes and press inquiries, BRC shall also provide the BLM with the recorded maximum population for the entire event (otherwise known as peak population). The BLM may request population data at any time during the event.

This new Stipulation would be identified as #6 and written as follows: Within 60 days after the event, BRC shall provide the BLM with detailed information regarding the number of staff and participants at the event site for the period of site occupancy (August 4, 2014 through September 15, 2014). This information shall include daily counts for both the non-event and event period.

This new Stipulation would be identified as #7 and written as follows: Starting April 7, 2014, and continuing on the fifth business day of every subsequent month thereafter, BRC will provide BLM with a 2014 Burning Man paid participant documentation report. This report will include but not be limited to the total number of tickets sold to paid participants, whether at pre-sale, group sale, individual sale, OMG sale, low income sale and miscellaneous sales. In addition, starting on August 18, 2014, BRC will provide a separate population documentation report for government personnel, Humboldt General Hospital emergency service providers, vendors, and contractors (e.g., service providers, staff, infrastructure contractors, art contractors, maintenance and operations personnel). The BLM may request additional paid participant data at any time prior to, during, and after the 2014 event.

This Stipulation would be identified as #8 and revised as follows: These Special Stipulations incorporate, by reference, information included in the 2014 Burning Man Operating Plan (Operating Plan). If there is a conflict between the Operating Plan and the Special Stipulations, the Stipulations shall control. BRC shall provide its latest version of the Operating Plan to the BLM before the BLM will issue the permit for the 2014 event. The Operating plan may be modified by BRC before, during and after the event, as needed with approval from BLM.

This Stipulation would be identified as #9 and revised as follows: The location of the 2014 Burning Man Event Area is limited to the public closure area, with ingress and egress from the 8-Mile or Event playa entrance, the 12-mile or Vendor playa entrance, and the playa Airport. The specific location of the event site will be identified and requested by BRC and approved by the BLM prior to the commencement of event setup.

This Stipulation would be identified as #10 and revised as follows: The event is authorized to last 192 hours (established by EA) starting on the Sunday that falls eight days before Labor Day and ending on Labor Day. Event activities may officially commence at 6:00 PM on Sunday, August 24, 2014 (the Sunday before Labor Day) and shall end at 6:00 PM on Monday, September 1, 2014 (Labor Day). For the purposes of participant ingress, the main gate may be opened at 10:00 AM on Sunday, August 24, 2014. For the purposes of participant egress the main gate will be opened until 12:00 PM on Tuesday, September 2, 2014. During the extended ingress and egress hours (established by DNA) participants are required to focus their activities on camp location setup and breakdown. Pre-event surveys and site layout (including use of the communications tower) may begin on Sunday, July 27, 2014. Site occupancy, including construction of facilities and structures, may occur no earlier than Monday, August 4, 2014 (the start of the event closure order). Removal of all above-ground material (i.e., items that could pose a hazard to other playa users) will be completed no later than Monday, September 15, 2014 (the end of the event closure orders). The exception to this requirement is the communications tower, which may remain on-playa throughout the cleanup period for safety purposes. The dates, calendar and procedures for event set up and cleanup will be outlined in the 2014 BRC Operating Plan.

This new Stipulation would be identified as #11 and written as follows: The final phase of cleanup and restoration will be completed no later than Wednesday, October 2, 2014 (30 days after the event). If unforeseen weather conditions arise, minor adjustments to the post-event cleanup deadlines may be granted by the BLM authorized officer.

This Stipulation would be identified as #12: Upon advance notice to BRC, the BLM reserves the right to alter the terms, conditions, and stipulations of the permit for significant changes in BLM policy or administrative procedure, to prevent use conflicts, prevent resource damage, or protect public safety as provided in 43 C.F.R. § 2932.56.

This Stipulation would be identified as #13: BRC shall post a copy of its permit, these Special Stipulations, and the Federal Register Closure and Restriction Orders in prominent view at Center Camp Playa Info where cooperators and participants have an opportunity to read them. Additionally the documents referenced above shall also be available for participants and staff on the Burning Man website within 15 days of the BLM's issuance of the permit.

This Stipulation would be identified as #14: Except as otherwise noted in Special Stipulation 1, violation of the permit terms, conditions and stipulations may be subject to penalties prescribed in 43 C.F.R. Part 2930. Additionally, such violations may result in permit revocation, suspension, or probation. Violations may also be cause for the BLM to deny approval of a subsequent Permit or Operating Authorization (43 C.F.R. § 2932).

This Stipulation would be identified as #21 and revised as follows: BRC shall make a member of its Board, or authorized representative(s), available to the BLM prior to the event for planning coordination. This member of its Board, or authorized representative(s) will also be available to the BLM after the event for After Action Review coordination. BRC's Board member or authorized representative(s) must be authorized to represent and act on BRC's behalf to coordinate as needed with the BLM, law enforcement, and other event cooperators on issues requiring action. BRC must provide BLM with its authorized representative(s)/point of contact(s) by 2/1/2014.

The BLM's representatives are the following;

Gene Seidlitz – SRP Administration and Cost Recovery

Dan Love – Law Enforcement

Mark Pirtle – Project Manager

This Stipulation would be identified as #15 and revised as follows: BRC personnel shall meet with BLM staff and representatives from the various cooperators during the event period at such other times and places as needed. At these meetings BRC shall provide daily attendance figures (as required in Special Stipulation 1) and exchange other information necessary to allow all parties to effectively administer and assess daily the event. BRC and BLM will have a daily meeting plan for the purposes of communication and exchange of information. Details will be included in the 2014 BRC Operating Plan.

This Stipulation would be identified as #16 and revised as follows: Commercial use is prohibited within the Black Rock City closure area unless specifically authorized and permitted by BRC and the BLM. Commercial use is defined by 43 C.F.R. § 2932.5, and includes, but is not limited to, commercial film production, food services, waste disposal, recreational/trailer rental and/or air carrier services. BRC and the BLM will monitor all commercial operators entering the event via the Point 1 Gate and the Airport.

A. Prior to the event:

- i. BRC shall notify potential vendors and air carrier services in writing that they must obtain a BLM Special Recreation Permit (SRP) in order to enter into contract with BRC.
- ii. BRC shall also provide the BLM with a list of potential vendors and air carrier services that BRC recommends be granted a BLM SRP to operate at the event.
- iii. The BLM will immediately notify BRC if any recommended vendors and air operators do not meet the BLM's SRP requirements at 43 C.F.R. § 2932 and cannot be authorized to operate on public lands during the event.

- iv. BRC will immediately notify the BLM if BRC terminates any authorized vendors or air carrier services contract/agreement.
- v. BRC will describe the procedure for BRC and BLM coordination of authorizing vendors and air carrier services in the 2014 BRC Operating Plan.
- B. During the event:
 - i. BRC shall require all authorized vendors and air carrier services to display identification as proof of their authorization to operate at the event by BRC and the BLM.
 - ii. Any vendors and air carrier services must show proof of their SRP within a reasonable amount of time when asked by authorized BLM and BRC personnel, as required by the Closure Order(s) and BRC's OSS or Air Carrier contracts.
 - iii. BRC will inform the BLM's Vendor Compliance Lead of unauthorized vendors and air carrier services discovered at the event.

Any vendors and air carrier services found operating without a contract with BRC and unpermitted by BLM at the event will be found to be in noncompliance and may face eviction, and/or receive citations for noncompliance with 43 C.F.R. § 2932, or be required to obtain both a BRC contract and a BLM SRP.

This Stipulation would be identified as #17: BRC shall cooperate with the BLM when requested to assist in removing individuals from the event as provided in 43 C.F.R. § 2932.57(a) (7). If BRC evicts anyone under BRC's internal procedures, BRC will notify the BLM of the eviction and identify the evicted individual(s). BRC shall work with the BLM to develop a joint protocol for evictions, which will be documented in the 2014 BRC Operating Plan.

This Stipulation would be identified as #18: BRC shall comply with all applicable supplemental regulations as promulgated in the Closure Order(s) published in the Federal Register prior to the 2014 event.

This Stipulation would be identified as #19: In regard to historical and archeological resources:

- A. All participants and support staff will be informed that collection, excavation or vandalism of historical and archaeological artifacts or sites is illegal on public land. If BRC learns of the discovery of archaeological artifacts (objects greater than 50 years old) or human remains, BRC shall notify the BLM immediately.
- B. BRC shall comply with 43 C.F.R. § 7.18 and shall not make available to the public any information concerning the nature and location of any archaeological resource.
- C. Should BRC discover an archaeological resource it must stop all activities in the discovery vicinity and protect the site until event completion or until notified otherwise by the BLM authorized officer.

This Stipulation would be identified as #20: BRC shall provide the appropriate identification to its authorized personnel (i.e. staff ID, decals, designated camping areas, etc.) and will inform the BLM of the nature and appearance of such identification prior to the event.

This new Stipulation would be identified as #22 and written as follows: BRC and BLM, and other agencies as shall be mutually deemed appropriate, shall cooperate in the development of a Unified Command (UC) structure for the management of available safety, security and infrastructure resources in the event of an emergency incident. During the event, members of the UC will coordinate daily as well as the immediate pre and post operating period (at a time to be determined) with regard to all daily operating procedures as well as in the event of an emergency threshold event as defined in the UC Standard Operating Procedure (SOP). BRC will ensure there is appropriate representation from BRC on the UC, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week during the event and will provide the name(s) of BRC representation to BLM by June 30, 2014. All UC operations will be managed from the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) located at the BLM ICP (Incident Command Post) unless it is deemed more appropriate by the UC to have an incident specific EOC location.

This Stipulation would be identified as #37 and revised as follows: BRC shall ensure there are an adequate number and suitable placement of toilets as needed throughout Black Rock City according to BRC's Operation Plan in conjunction with the Nevada Revised Statutes sanitation requirements. Due to the increase in population anticipated in the Environmental Analysis for this event, sufficient portable toilets must be supplied at areas likely to be used after dark. BRC shall ensure the toilets in the open playa are adequately and prominently lit and visible during nighttime activities. BRC must ensure that adequate sanitation facilities (porta-potties and pumping trucks) are available in close proximity to mass gatherings when mobile raves occur in remote areas on the playa; or redirect the mobile raves to existing sanitation facilities. During the exodus, restrooms shall be placed at/or relocated in strategic locations to accommodate participants' needs.

This Stipulation would be identified as #38 and revised as follows: BRC shall continue to educate the event participants regarding the importance of appropriate disposal of human waste. Prior to release of information regarding the 2014 Burning Man event, BRC shall include a page on the Burning Man website that specifies the appropriate disposal of human waste for participants using personal portable toilets and provides information regarding the risks to human health of improperly disposed of human wastes. BRC shall inform the event participants on the legal ramifications to the individual and to the applicant of inappropriately disposed human waste including the possible revocation of permits, see NAC 444.5466 Disposal of sewage; plumbing (for Camping) and NAC 444.5492 (regarding provision of toilet facilities for mass gatherings).

This Stipulation would be identified as #40 and revised as follows: No more than 1,000 vehicles per hour shall be released from Black Rock City during the exodus

period to avoid deterioration of the external roadway system to an unacceptable level of service (LOS E or F) (Note: Transportation engineers and planners commonly use the term level of serve (LOS) to measure and describe the operational status of a roadway network. The Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) strives to maintain LOS D or better on all of its roadways. LOS levels E and F are considered unacceptable by NDOT).

This Stipulation would be identified as #46: Flaggers shall be used at the intersection of SR-447 and SR-427 to provide for greater public safety within the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation.

This Stipulation would be identified as #23 and revised as follows: Meetings required with affected parties:

- A. BRC shall confer with the following entities prior to the event to address local issues and concerns: Washoe County Sheriff's Office, NDOT, Federal Aviation Administration, Washoe County Roads Department, Humboldt County Roads Department and the Gerlach Volunteer Fire Department.
- B. A representative from BRC will meet with representatives from the BLM prior to the event to coordinate logistics for operation of the communication compound.
- C. BRC shall meet with the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe to address concerns and impacts to Tribal reservation resources anticipated from the Burning Man event.

This Stipulation would be identified as #24 and revised as follows: BRC shall complete formal agreements with all affected parties, including Pershing County Sheriff's Department, Washoe County Sheriff's Department, Nevada Department of Public Safety-Nevada Highway Patrol, and Nevada Department of Health and Human Safety, for the purpose of addressing concerns and impacts associated with social services (e.g., law enforcement and emergency medical services and physical infrastructure, transportation systems, and human waste disposal). Written evidence of these agreements showing compliance with this stipulation must be provided to the BLM by BRC 30 days prior to the BLM's approval of the SRP for 2014. BRC shall keep the BLM informed regarding the progress toward and changes to such agreements.

This Stipulation would be identified as #26: As described in the 2014 Operating Plan, BRC shall develop procedures and plans for toilets, sanitation, emergency medical facilities and services, fire protection, security, participant camping, traffic, access and parking control, illumination, water supply, food supply, communication services and safety for the event.

This Stipulation would be identified as #27: BRC will develop and implement a plan to address and prevent the exposure of minors to adult activities at the event. The

plan should include measures such as educating and requiring parents/guardians to supervise their children, zoning the city, and making every effort to educate adult related theme camps about the need for having a gatekeeper during hours when the camp might not be suitable for minors. BRC will make a diligent effort to enforce actions identified in the plan. A copy of the plan shall be provided to the BLM and the Pershing County Sheriffs' Department within 10 days of the BLM's grant of the permit.

This Stipulation would be identified as #41: BRC shall allow any tow truck that is licensed to operate in the State of Nevada to access the event through the 12-mile access vendor's gate for the purpose of removing vehicles in need of repair, and/or to carry out minor repairs to allow inoperable vehicles to be driven away from the event. Such minor repairs include replacing hoses and drive belts or the repair or replacement of tires. Within 10 days of the BLM's grant of the permit, BRC shall contact local tow companies known to respond to this event, including those in Gerlach and Fernley, Nevada, and advise them of the process to enter the event without delay in order to respond to calls for service.

This Stipulation would be identified as #28: BRC shall develop and cooperate in the implementation of contingency plans for operations of critical health and safety services under adverse conditions, including those that could cause cancellation or temporary suspension of the event. Such causes may include adverse weather, natural or human caused disaster, or social unrest. This effort shall apply to participants within the event area and en route to and leaving the event.

- A. Prior to the event, BRC shall disseminate emergency information to participants via the Burning Man Website, the Burning Man Survival Guide, and any other appropriate media.
- B. During the event:
 - i. Should event cancellation be necessary, critical health and safety systems must be as operational as reasonably possible during the duration of any temporary suspension or until participants are able to leave the event site and the Gerlach/Empire area.
 - ii. BRC and the BLM will monitor forecast weather conditions. If weather forecasts suggest a high probability of adverse weather conditions that may result in disruptions to the event, both parties in conjunction with other appropriate agencies and cooperators will develop appropriate strategies and actions to deal with potential impacts on participants. In the event of natural disaster or civil unrest appropriate strategies and actions will be initiated immediately after any disaster or unrest occurs.

- iii. BRC shall cooperate with the BLM and county law enforcement to warn participants headed into the event of event closure or other restrictions.
- iv. BRC shall provide participants with current and projected conditions, allowed and prohibited actions deemed necessary for public health and safety as well as protection of the environment, and other appropriate public service announcements via BMIR, flyers, or loud speaker broadcasts as needed.

If event termination is required, an appropriate time frame will be established by the BLM Incident Command in consultation with BRC and other cooperators to facilitate safe removal of people and property.

This Stipulation would be identified as #30: In cooperation with emergency services providers and law enforcement agencies, BRC shall, within a reasonable time after learning of them, notify the BLM and appropriate agencies of all accidents related to the event that occur before, during, and after the event, that result in death or personal injury requiring hospitalization. Accident reports involving death or injury will be coordinated with the Pershing County Sheriff's Office and the BLM.

This new Stipulation would be identified as #29 and written as follows: BRC and BLM shall enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) concerning BRC's procurement of identified BLM-required infrastructure and logistical needs for BLM's operations at the event. If BRC is unable to meet the BLM's requirements for such infrastructure and logistical needs, the BLM may acquire or contract for such requirements and utilize cost recovery.

This Stipulation would be identified as #31: BRC's medical contractor shall report daily to the BLM and Pershing County providing a numerical breakdown of patient categories and transports, including a breakdown of reasons for transport; and no later than 60 days after the event shall provide to the BLM a written final statistical report of such medical cases.

This Stipulation would be identified as #32: Within 12 hours upon learning of any incident that occurs before, during or after the event that could possibly result in a liability claim, BRC shall confer with the BLM and as deemed necessary by either party, will submit a written incident report to the BLM.

This Stipulation would be identified as #33: BRC shall provide a minimum of two structural/brush-type fire engines, National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) type 3-6. Engines and staff must meet NWCG or NWSA (National Wildfire Suppression Association) standards for personnel and equipment. These fire engines will be strategically placed within BRC as determined necessary by the BRC fire contractor.

This Stipulation would be identified as #42: BRC shall provide a minimum of two post-event roadside crews to clean up litter and debris along the roads and highways surrounding the event with a focus on County Road 34 from the "8-Mile" entrance to State Road (SR) 447, SR 447 from the intersection with County Road 34 to Wadsworth, from Gerlach to the California state line, and SR 446 from Nixon to SR 445 near Sutcliffe. Weather, traffic and other safety concerns permitting, BRC will begin this cleanup effort on Wednesday post-event, and complete the effort by September 30, 2014. BRC representatives will also meet and confer with local entities that have reported concerns about event participants leaving trash, and BRC will work to mitigate these issues in order to prevent a reoccurrence of complaints, and to promote Leave No Trace ethics outside of the event.

This Stipulation would be identified as #43: BRC shall coordinate with NDOT and the Freeway Service Patrol to ensure that debris removal is conducted according to NDOT standards and protocols. Off-site clean-up will occur after the event to gather trash discarded during the entire event period. BRC shall make best efforts to collect all trash that can be safely collected and will notify and coordinate with the appropriate agencies for any remaining items in accordance with all NDOT encroachments permits. Clean-up staff must wear appropriate safety vests and hats and drive vehicles with flashing lights to ensure safety during trash collection.

This Stipulation would be identified as #44: In addition to patrolling SR-446 and SR-447 for event-related trash, BRC shall coordinate with NDOT to compile a list of any other roadways or rest areas that need to be cleared of event-related trash. Additionally, BRC shall coordinate with Washoe County to patrol County Road 34 and Jackson Lane from the event site to the "Black Rock City Work Ranch" in the Hualapai Valley, approximately 10 miles north of the event site.

This Stipulation would be identified as #39: BRC's Traffic Management Plan will include detail on Burning Man's traffic controls during ingress and egress. This plan will be presented and approved by the BLM authorized officer prior to the event.

This Stipulation would be identified as #45, combined with stipulation 37 and revised as follows: Prior to the event, BRC shall coordinate with NDOT and the Washoe County Roads Department regarding the type of traffic control devices and shall use such devices in accordance with both agencies requirements. A copy of all necessary permits for encroachment within NDOT and Washoe County Roads Department right-of-ways for temporary traffic control measures (i.e. speed limit trailers, etc.)

shall be provided to the BLM and to appropriate agencies/jurisdictions by BRC 30 days prior to the start of the event.

This Stipulation would be identified as #47: BRC shall cooperate with Washoe County Sheriff's Office and NDOT to request a temporary speed limit reduction through the town of Empire. The BLM recommends that a maximum speed limit of 25 mph. A reduced speed limit would improve the safety of parking along SR-447 through Empire and pedestrians crossing the roadway.

This Stipulation would be identified as #45, combined with stipulation 35 and revised as follows: Prior to the event, BRC shall coordinate with NDOT and the Washoe County Roads Department regarding the type of traffic control devices and shall use such devices in accordance with both agencies requirements. A copy of all necessary permits for encroachment within NDOT and Washoe County Roads Department right-of-ways for temporary traffic control measures (i.e. speed limit trailers, etc.) shall be provided to the BLM and to appropriate agencies/jurisdictions by BRC 30 days prior to the start of the event.

This Stipulation would be identified as #48: BRC shall provide traffic control, using traffic control devices as determined by Washoe County Roads Department and NDOT, at County Road 34 entrances/exits to the Burning Man event, the "Y" intersection of SR-447/County Road 34 and in the towns of Gerlach and Empire during heavy traffic periods.

This Stipulation would be identified as #49 and revised as follows: To reduce impacts to the Pyramid Lake Paiute reservation located along the access routes, BRC shall coordinate with the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe. BRC shall work with the Pyramid Lake Tribe in developing the applicant's plan to increase public awareness and educational campaigns about Leave No Trace® on tribal land, including for example, signage on roads, Public Service Announcements on BMIR, blog-posts, etc. Also, BRC shall continue to support and promote tribal enterprises that are setup to collect participant trash and recycling for a fee, which also helps with economic benefits of the Region.

This Stipulation would be identified as #25 and revised as follows: BRC agrees to enter into a formal agreement with the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe. BRC shall submit a draft agreement to the BLM before it signs any such agreement.

This Stipulation would be identified as #34 and revised as follows: The BLM shall collect a commercial use fee from BRC for the use of public lands for the event. The fee, as set by regulation 43 C.F.R. § 2930, will be equal to 3% of the adjusted gross income derived from the use authorized under the SRP. Payment equal to at least 25% of the estimated commercial use fee (3% of estimated gross receipts) must be

received by the BLM prior to the start of the event. Determination of gross income will be based on all payments received by BRC and its employees or agents for goods or services provided in connection with commercial activities authorized by the SRP. This includes, but is not limited to, ticket sales, coffee and ice sales, fees associated with outside services and private donations received by BRC for management of the event on public lands.

The following schedule for payments will be used:

Payment	Due Date	Amount Due
1.	10 days after permit is issued by the BLM	25% of estimated commercial use fees
2.	January 31 st , 2015	The remaining balance of commercial use fees

This new Stipulation would be identified as #35 and written as follows: BRC shall provide BLM with an itemized detailed gross revenue report for all ticket sales, which will be itemized by category according to the BRC "2014 Ticket Structure." This includes, but is not limited to each of the below identified categories:

- PRE-SALE
- DIRECTED GROUP SALE
- INDIVIDUAL SALE
- OMG SALE
- LOW INCOME SALE
- MISCELLANEOUS SALE (any other ticket sales/entrance fees/reentry fees or other forms of generated revenue for entry into the event).

This Stipulation would be identified as #36 and revised as follows: BRC is responsible for the cost recovery payment, consisting of the actual costs of administering the Special Recreation Permit, including all direct and indirect costs, in addition to the commercial use fees. BRC must sign a Cost Recovery Agreement (CRA) within 10 days of the issuance of the permit. 100% of the cost recovery fee estimate shall be received prior to the start of the event as provided in the 2014 CRA.

This Stipulation would be identified as #50 and revised as follows: BRC's operation and compliance with the terms, conditions and stipulations of the Special Recreation Permit, Form 2930-2 will be evaluated through performance inspections before, during, and following the event. All campsites, vendor operating areas, and permittee operating areas are subject to compliance checks to monitor environmental compliance-related stipulations. This includes the Department of Public Works, First

Camp, Heavy Equipment Yards, and the United Site Services Operation Area, among others.

This Stipulation would be identified as #51 and revised as follows: BRC shall coordinate with the BLM and any other relevant agency to monitor environmental protection measures identified in these Special Stipulations, the temporary closure order, and BRC's operating plan. BRC personnel shall participate in a combined Environmental Compliance Team, which will be responsible for monitoring environmental protection measures within the closure area during the entire event. The Environmental Compliance Team is collaboration between the BLM, BRC's Earth Guardians, BR Rangers, ESD/Fire Safety, and Playa Restoration. Each of these BRC departments will work through a central point person with BLM to document and mitigate all violations of environmental protection measures within 24 hours of the violation being brought to BRC's attention. The 2014 BRC Operating Plan shall describe the monitoring, communication, and mitigation protocols for the Environmental Compliance Team, that will include, but are not limited to:

- A. Trash fence integrity;
- B. Appropriate campfire containment measures and prohibitions;
- C. Protection of archaeological resources;
- D. Camping within designated areas only;
- E. Grey and black water dumping prohibitions;
- F. Proper trash removal and cleanup;
- G. Mitigation of vehicle oil dripping;
- H. Promotion of Leave No Trace (trade mark) ethics;
- I. Motorized vehicle, motorcycle and ATV limitations and prohibitions as they relate to environmental compliance and possible impacts;
- J. Appropriate disposal of human waste; and
- K. Burn containers be raised off the playa.

This Stipulation would be identified as #52: BRC shall make personnel available immediately after the end of the post-event cleanup period and, if deemed appropriate by the BLM, during the spring following the event, to inspect the site with the BLM to determine any latent adverse impacts, such as pit depressions, bumps, depressions from roadways, ruts from vehicular traffic, or surfacing buried materials, to ensure that the site is returned to pre-event condition.

This Stipulation would be identified as #53: Inspections of the event site in the fall after the event will be coordinated by the BLM using randomly placed transects on the site and a measurable cleaning standard. The inspecting party will intensively collect debris found on the ground within each transect. A follow-up spring inspection will be conducted only when deemed necessary by the BLM. The Post-

Event Cleanup Standard shall be the average total surface area of debris collected from either the fall or spring transects will not exceed the equivalent of 1 square foot per acre from any inspection area.

This Stipulation would be identified as #54 and revised as follows: BRC may make a written request for an extension of time for the completion of the cleanup if weather or some other catastrophic event interferes with access to the site for cleanup purposes. The BLM authorized officer may consider such a request.

This Stipulation would be identified as #55: If cleanup studies indicate the Post-Event Cleanup Standard has been or is likely to be exceeded, the permit will be suspended until the site has been cleaned up to a level not to exceed 50% of the standard and the operations plan includes reasonable measures to assure that the Post-Event Cleanup Standard will not be exceeded during the life of the permit.

B. Land Use Plan (LUP) Conformance

The proposed action in conformance with the applicable LUP because it is specifically provided for the following LUP decisions:

Resource Management Plan for Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area and Associated Wilderness, and other Contiguous Lands in Nevada. **Date Approved: July 2004**

The Resource Management Plan (RMP), approved July, 2004 for the Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area and Associated Wilderness, and other Contiguous Lands in Nevada, currently guides management of the Black Rock Desert (BLM, 2004a).

The following RMP recreation decisions were cited in the Burning Man 2012-2016 Special Recreation Permit EA, DOI-BLM-NV-W030-2012-0007, and are cited again here because of the relevance of this action to the Burning Man Special Use Permit. As this action is needed for the implementation, and therefore an integral feature of the Burning Man Special Use Permit, these decisions are relevant.

Recreation decisions REC-21 through REC-27 apply to the issuance of special recreation permits:

REC-21: All recreation permittees will be required to adhere to Tread Lightly! and Leave-No-Trace® principles. Permit stipulations will emphasize the Tread Lightly! and Leave-No-Trace® principles.

- **REC-22**: Permits will be assigned to one of four classes of permitted activities (I through IV). A description of the classification system is provided in Appendix J of the RMP. (The Burning Man event is a Class IV event).
- **REC-23**: SRPs will be limited to certain geographic areas based on the permit class that the proposal is given. (See Table 2-9 and Map 2-15 of the RMP). (Class IV events, which are the largest events, are allowed in the Permit area of the Front Country Zone).
- **REC-24**: To maintain solitude on northern portions of the playa, Class III and IV permitted activities will be concentrated on or near the South Playa. Northern portions of the playa may be made available for Class III and IV permits when playa conditions are unsuitable or public safety or public access may be compromised.
- **REC-25**: Special recreation permits will be authorized at times, in locations and for durations consistent with providing opportunities for solitude and full public access to the playa for at least one-half of the summer season (Memorial Day through Labor Day). The number of Special Recreation Permits issued could be limited to protect resources or the visitor experience.
- **REC-26**: Two Class III and IV events may occur simultaneously, but only one may be a Class IV event.
- **REC-27**: No more than two access points to the playa will be closed on the same weekend in conjunction with permitted events. (Issuance of a permit for the Burning Man event would be consistent with the RMP).
- C. Identify applicable National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documents and other related documents that cover the proposed action.

DOI-BLM-NV-W030-2012-0007-EA, Burning Man 2012-2016 Special Recreation Permit; DR dated 06/12/2012 and FONSI dated 06/12/2012.

D. NEPA Adequacy Criteria

1. Is the new proposed action a feature of, or essentially similar to, an alternative analyzed in the existing NEPA documents(s)? Is the project within the same analysis area, or if the project location is different, are the geographic and resource conditions sufficiently similar to those analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s)? If there are differences, can you explain why they are not substantial?

Yes. The event portion, including proposed population, of this action was analyzed in the 2012-2016 Burning Man EA. The proposed modifications of the stipulations are consistent with and meet intent of the stipulations developed in this EA.

2. Is the range of alternatives analyzed in the existing NEPA documents(s) appropriate with respect to the new proposed action, given current environmental concerns, interests, and resource values?

Yes. <u>Environmental Concerns and Resource Values</u>: The alternatives analyzed in 2012 are appropriate for this action.

The magnitude and duration of this proposal is within the same scope of the 2012-2016 Burning Man EA and therefore does not warrant further development of alternatives.

3. Is the existing analysis valid in light of any new information or circumstances (such as, rangeland health standard assessment, recent endangered species listings, updated lists of BLM-sensitive species)? Can you reasonably conclude that new information and new circumstances would not substantially change the analysis of the new proposed action?

Yes. At the present time, there is no new information or changed circumstances that would substantially change from the existing analyses. The information used to support the 2012-2016 EA analysis was conducted in 2011 and 2012 making the information very current.

4. Are the direct, indirect, and cumulative effects that would result from implementation of the new proposed action similar (both quantitatively and qualitatively) to those analyzed in the existing NEPA document?

Yes. At the present time, there is no new information or changed circumstances that would substantially change from the direct, indirect or cumulative effects analyzed in the existing EAs. The magnitude and duration of this proposal is within the same scope of the 2012-2016 Burning Man EA and therefore does not warrant further analysis.

5. Are the public involvement and interagency review associated with existing NEPA document(s) adequate for the current proposed action?

Yes, the public involvement and interagency reviews associated with the existing NEPA documents are adequate for the current proposed action. The decision based on this DNA will be shared with those involved with the Burning Man EA as well as Burning Man Cooperators. The decision record will be posted for the general public in ePlanning with a link from the Winnemucca District webpage.

Burning Man Preliminary EA

On March 16, 2012, the Preliminary EA was posted on the Winnemucca District Office NEPA webpage for a 30-day public review period. In addition, BLM sent out a letter to interested parties requesting substantive comments on the Preliminary EA by April 16, 2012. In response, BLM received 42 comment letters from agencies, organizations, businesses, and individuals. As a result of substantive comments from the applicant, NDOT, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, and individuals, revisions were made to the EA. For a list of notable modifications that were made to the EA in response to substantive comments, see the 2013 DR.

E. Persons/Agencies/BLM Staff Consulted

NEPA INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM ASSIGNMENTS

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Project Title: Burning Man 2014 SRP	Project Lead: David Freiberg
Applicant: Black Rock City, LLC	File Code (43 CFR): 2930
Location:	Lease / Case File / Serial #:
USGS 24k Quad name: Gerlach, Trego, Hualipai Flat, Dry Mountain NW 100k map name: Gerlach	
Begin Date: 7/14/14	Due Date: 7/23/14

RESOURCE	YES	NO	ASSIGNED TO	COMMENTS	SIGNATURE
Cultural Resources	X		Kathy Ataman		/S/ Kathy
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Native American Religious	X		Mark Hall		
Concerns					
Paleontological Resources	X		Kathy Ataman		/S/ Kathy
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Recreation	X		Rory Glueckert		/S/ Rory
					Glueckert
Visual Resource Management	X		David Freiberg		/S/ David
C					Freiberg
Invasive, Non-native species	X		Eric Baxter		/S/ Eric Baxter
(plants & animals)					
Soils	X		Rob Burton		/S/ Rob Burton
Air Quality	X		Craig Nicholls		/S/ Craig
-					Nichols
T&E Species (Plants &	X		Kathy Cadigan		/S/ Kathy
Animals)					Cadigan
Special Status Species (Plants	X		Kathy Cadigan		/S/ Kathy
& Animals)					Cadigan
General Wildlife Habitat	X		Kathy Cadigan		/S/ Kathy
					Cadigan
Wild Horse & Burro	X		Garrett Swisher		/S/ Garrett
					Swisher
Wilderness	X		Zwaantje Rorex		/S/ Zwaantje
					Rorex
Wilderness Study Areas	X		Zwaantje Rorex		/S/ Zwaantje
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Environmental Justice	X		Josh Sidon		/S/ Josh Sidon

Social Values	X	Josh Sidon		/S/ Josh Sidon
Economics	X	Josh Sidon		/S/ Josh Sidon
NCA	X	Kathy Ataman		/S/ Kathy
				Ataman
GIS	X	Rob Bunkall		/S/ Rob
				Bunkall
Other: LWC	X	Zwaantje Rorex		/S/ Zwaantje
				Rorex
Public Outreach				
Scoping				
Web Site	X		Final NEPA Docs	
Press Release				
Comment Period				
NEPA Coordinator	X	Mark Hall		/S/ Mark E.
				Hall
Priority				
Remarks:				

Note: Refer to the EA/EIS for a complete list of the team members participating in the preparation of the original environmental analysis or planning documents.

X Conclusion (If you found that one or more of these criteria is not met, you will not be able to check this box.)

Based on the review documented above, I conclude that this proposal conforms to the applicable land use plan and that the NEPA documentation fully covers the proposed action and constitutes BLM's compliance with the requirements of the NEPA.

/S/ David Freiberg	
Signature of Project Lead	
/S/ Mark E. Hall	
Signature of NEPA Coordinator	
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/S/ Gene Seidlitz	8/1/2014
Signature of Responsible Official	 Date

Note: The signed Conclusion on this Worksheet is part of an interim step in the BLM's internal decision process and does not constitute an appealable decision. However, the lease, permit, or other authorization based on this DNA is subject to protest or appeal under 43 CFR Part 4 and the program-specific regulations.